



# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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## **Pastor**

Fr. Michael C. A. O'Neill, I.C.

## **Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Martin Madavana, I.C.

## **Pastor Emeritus**

Fr. Christopher R. Fitzgerald, I.C.

**Priests of the Institute of Charity  
(Rosminians)**

Deacon Jerry Thomas

Deacon Dick Beaudry

## **Mass Schedule**

Weekend Masses

Vigil Mass (Saturday):

4:30 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,  
and 4:30 p.m.

## **Weekday Masses**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary 25 minutes before each Mass

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday thru Friday

After 8:00 Morning Mass to 4:00 p.m.

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 p.m.

First Friday: 7:30 a.m.

or Anytime by Appointment with Priest

**June 24, 2012**

## **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**



## Mass Intentions for the Week



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 23</b>
4:30 p.m.	†Buck Cole by Millie Hussey & Joan Brennan
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass
	<b>Sunday June 24</b>
9:00 a.m.	Intention of Coleman & Marlene Hill by Marlene Hill
11:00 a.m.	†Richard E. Zawlocki by Dan Vargas
4:30 p.m.	Parishioners of St. Francis
<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 25</b>
8:00 a.m.	†Dixie Townsend by Terry Doege
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>June 26</b>
8:00 a.m.	†Estelle Morrow by Billie Morrow
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 27</b>
8:00 a.m.	†Frank Pacini by Carmela Pacini
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>June 28</b>
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Todd Johnston by Joyce Womack
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass
<b>Friday</b>	<b>June 29</b>
8:00 a.m.	†Richard Buchalski by Tom & Theresa Peckos
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Intention of "Fortnight for Freedom"</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 30</b>
4:30 p.m.	†Bud Doege by the Family
6:30 p.m.	Spanish Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 1</b>
9:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 a.m.	†Alejandro Ramos by Chito & Malou Ocampo
4:30 p.m.	Deceased Members of The Jean Hunt Family by Jean Hunt

### Prayer for the Military

*Lord, keep our servicemen and women safe, whether they serve at home or overseas. Hold them in Your loving hands and protect them as they protect us. Amen*

**IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS,** please pray for those who are ill, homebound, or confined to hospitals and nursing homes, *especially for the following:*

Fr. Chris Fitzgerald, Judy nor, Jacob Orth, Kathy Allard, Pat Allen, Mary Petrus, Rev. Joseph Presley, Baron, Ernest Berard, Don I.C., Lillian Pezzutti, Mary Bowdoin, Brittany Bourassa, Price, Pat Racic, Julia Jimmy & James Burke, Rafferty, Jimmie Ry-Coleen Byrd, Michael dzewski, Enrike Sandova, Casagrande, Mary Ann Catherine Schaefer, Mary Casale, William Castillo, Schembri, Anna Shoemaker, Kenneth Castle, Frank George Silva, Josie Silva, Celani, Eileen Cianiatto, Mike Silva, Kade Smith, Liz Carmen Connors, Jean Smith, Jeanne Steadham, Davis, Lindsey Davis, Chloe Evelyn Steen, Stanton Sullidelaney, Edward DeMars, van, Ann Marie Sullivan, Delia Devine, Tony Diolosa, Bernadette Suppa, Richard Catherine & Harry Donohue, Swick, David Tart, Carol James Evans, Edith Ferris, Tickle, Frank & Tatiana Tuabernard & Marilyn Ferris, nama, Keith Tyner, Sr., Jeannine Fournier, Fred Keith Tyner, Jr., Betty Franceschini, Kenny Gay, Valleri, Eddie Vazquez, Al Mary Geraci, Rodrigo Giron, Veinotte, Alice Veinotte, Bobby Gorman, Samuel Lucy Vessa, Gabriel Wagner, Gray, Debbie Herrick Barbara Wellen, Margaret Haggerty, Charlie Homs, Wells, Kathleen Wright, Theresa Jurewicz, Helen Mary Woodard, Shirley Zaccari, Mary Zani, Justin Louche, Carol Lukban, Zeigler, Mildred Zimmerman Nancy Marino, John and the Homebound and McFaul, Hector Melendez, their Caregivers and the re-Alberta Miguez, Heidi pose of the souls of Bill Louise Miller, Helen O'Con-Sbuttoni and Pat Thomas.

### Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

Daniel Hutton	Jeff Calvani	Zachary Trinkle
Karen Castillo	Robert Lewis	Brandon Trinkle
Aran Miller	Greg Bender	Dan Holder
Jarred Taracido	Shawn Fleegel	Jesse Doyle
Joseph Michalek	Ryan Hurley	Kenneth Urquhart
Juan Cruz	J.P. Zolomayor	Aaron C. Lint
Christian Morelo	James Angelo	
Adam Murray	Helen Castillo	
Kris Urquhart	Derrick M. Shea	
Stefan Tyska	Rafael E. Santiago	
Mickey Reese	Nathan Berry	
John Openlander Jr.	DevonMichaelCallicoat	
John Andrew Marple	Matt Daniels	
James E. Desaulniers	Jack Vine	
Joshua J. Desaulniers	Jesse Witt	
Lawrence Morgan Null	Bernard Ferris, Jr.	
Raymond Barreto Chang	Brittany L. Jones Baker	
Christopher Heacox	Adam Baker	
Ryan Levy Cruz	Cameron Trinkle	



### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — I will make you a light to the nations (Isaiah 49:1-6).

**Psalms** — I praise you for I am wonderfully made (Psalm 139).

**Second Reading** — John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance (Acts 13:22-26).

**Gospel** — John is his name (Luke 1:57-66, 80).

### Forerunner of the Lord

The story of the conception and birth of John the Baptist is a very human story. His aged parents, childless, conceive a son in their old age just as Abraham and Sarah had conceived Isaac. God's promise of salvation seems to include the delayed birth of very extraordinary children!

John was, as the prophet Isaiah says, known to God from his earliest days, fashioned in the womb of his mother, Elizabeth, in secret, before anyone but she knew. He was strong in spirit from before his birth, and he grew to become the most powerful preacher and prophet. He was the chosen forerunner of the Lord; Elijah the prophet came back to announce the coming of the Messiah and to prepare the people by a baptism of repentance.

### Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18;  
Psalms 60:3-5, 12-13; Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;  
Psalms 48:2-4, 10-11;  
Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3;  
Psalms 119:33-37, 40;  
Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kings 24:8-17; Psalms 106:1b-5;  
Matthew 7:21-29

Friday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Psalms 19:2-5;  
Galatians 1:11-20; John 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; Psalms 34:2-9  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;  
Matthew 16:13-19

Saturday: Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19;  
Psalms 74:1b-7, 20-21;  
Matthew 8:5-17

Sunday: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24;  
Psalms 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15;  
Mark 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

### Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi!

We extend a special welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners who have come to celebrate Mass with us today! If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to our clergy. If you live in this area and attend regularly, we invite you to join our parish of St. Francis of Assisi. Registration is necessary for better care of souls, more effective administration of sick calls, and matters pertaining to baptism, education, marriage and burial.

Registration is very easy and the green "Parish Registration" cards can be found in the pamphlet holder above the table in the lobby. After completing, please place in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.

### Treasures From Our Tradition

It's midsummer day! We have the advantage of celebrating one of the great hidden treasures of our liturgical calendar on a Sunday this year. There are only three "nativity" feasts on our calendar: for the Lord, the Blessed Mother (September 8), and today's birth of the Baptist. Today's date is anchored by the Annunciation (March 25), when Mary learns not only of her own child's advent, but of Elizabeth's child. We are exactly half a year away from Christmas Eve. There are strong traditions around this feast. Just as the winter solstice provides a rich vocabulary for Christmas, so does the abundance of light at midsummer inform this celebration. Just as at Christmas, a religious festival spills over into culture. As summer light reaches its peak, the sun-drenched zones of northern Europe see people staying up all night, kindling "St. John's fires" in the long summer twilight. Bonfires seem to be the unifying force in all these celebrations, kindled along the shores of the St. Lawrence in Quebec and Montreal, with harbor illuminations in France. You may be most interested in the custom in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Baptist's own city. People there will leap into the sea between midnight and dawn to honor John. Why not find your way to a pool, a lake, or a sandy beach today and plunge in to recall your baptism? It's a tradition!

### Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Monday: Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday: St. Cyril of Alexandria

Thursday: St. Irenaeus

Friday: Ss. Peter and Paul

Saturday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church; Blessed Virgin Mary



**Ministries Schedule June 30<sup>th</sup> & July 1<sup>st</sup>****Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass****Rosary Leader:** Bristol, D.**Altar Servers:** Wayne, K.; Wrobel, J.**Lector:** Peckos, T.**E.M.H.C.:** Murray, G.; Silva, D. & J.; Soleau; Subko; Benn**Sunday - 9:00 a.m. Mass****Rosary Leader:** Veinotte, T.**Altar Servers:** O'Connor, D.; O'Connor, J.**Lector:** Ellis, S.**E.M.H.C.:** Chordas, Ellis; Kroll; Leone; Mularoni; Pasden; Plourde; Shoemaker**Sunday - 11:00 a.m. Mass****Rosary Leader:** Hill, M.**Altar Servers:** Kemp, D.; Luckey, M.**Lector:** Winiarski, B.**E.M.H.C.:** Monaldi, F. & J.; Mussenden; Smith; St. Amant, G. & P.; Vazquez; Augello; Carr**Sunday - 4:30 p.m. Mass****Rosary Leader:** Williams, C.**Altar Servers:** Mayo, D.; Lukban, C.**Lector:** Geiger, A.**E.M.H.C.:** Lukban; McDonough**Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday - Friday..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Legion of Mary**

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**Novena to Our Lady, Queen of Peace**

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: ..... 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

First Friday: ..... 7:30 a.m.

or anytime by appointment with priest.

**Anointing of the Sick**

For those going into the hospital for surgery: available anytime, but particularly during daily Mass.

**Baptisms**

After required instruction, contact parish office.

**Marriage**

Contact office at least six months before desired date and before setting date.

**Business Office Hours**

Monday - Friday..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**This Week at St. Francis****June 24 — 30, 2012**

<b>Monday</b> <b>June 25</b>	Women's Emaus Group	7:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>June 26</b>	Legion of Mary	8:30 a.m.
	Boy Scouts	7:00 p.m.
	Pope John XXIII Prayer Grp.	7:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>June 27</b>	Dinner for the Needy	4:30 p.m.
	Bible Study	7:30 p.m.
	Hispanic Marriage Group	7:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b> <b>June 28</b>	Bible Study	8:30 a.m.
	Hispanic Bible Study	7:30 p.m.
<b>Friday</b> <b>June 29</b>	Knights of Columbus Social	7:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b> <b>June 30</b>	Hispanic Choir Practice	5:00 p.m.

**Independence Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>**We celebrate a special Mass on this day at **9 a.m.** instead of the usual 8 a.m.Our Knights of Columbus will provide a Guard-of-Honor and we invite **all military veterans and active duty to come in uniform and process into church.****Fortnight for Freedom****June 21<sup>st</sup>—July 4<sup>th</sup>**

Our bishops ask all parishes to pray that the Department of Health and Human Services reverse their decision to require all religious entities, excepting churches, to provide insurance coverage for contraception, sterilization, etc. for all their employees. To that end, **we ask our parishioners to attend a special Mass** for this intention on **Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** Seat of Wisdom, pray for us.

**Missionaries Needed**

**Fr. Martin** is looking for brave missionary souls to accompany him in visiting the houses of our parish in an effort to invite lapsed Catholics back to Church practice. If interested, please call the church office at 681-9115.

**Bible Study**

Join Deacon Dick **each Wednesday evening at 7:30 or Thursday after 8 a.m. morning Mass** for Bible Study. *"The study of inspired scripture is the chief way of finding our duty."* ~St. Basil the Great

## Question: What do Eucharistic Ministers do for the Homebound?

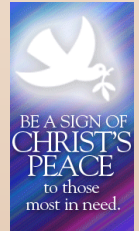


**We serve as the Lord's arms and legs to our Homebound Parishioners.** Every Sunday, except the Sunday after First Friday, four EM's take the Lord Jesus and travel to all our homebound parishioners. Remember, our Lord Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. Between the two groups we serve an average of 20 to 25 people on a Sunday. The number of times our HB Ministers go out in a three month period is two to three times. If you are interested or have any questions, please call David Brandies at 654-1969.

## PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

### Cast the *Peace of Christ* upon the World

Today we support the Holy Father in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters and others in need of emergency assistance. Pope Benedict XVI has said, "*It is necessary above all that every person be motivated by the authentic spirit of peace*" (Homily, January 1, 2011). Cast the peace of Christ upon the world—please be generous in today's Collection. **Thank You!**



## Military Vocations



The Knights of Columbus established a new scholarship program to help fund the education of seminarians preparing to become Catholic chaplains in the U.S. Armed Forces. The need for chaplains is dire, there are but 280 priests assigned to the U.S. Military Archdiocese; **520 short of the need.** The Knights of Blessed Antonio Council here at St. Francis are seeking your monetary help for this scholarship program next weekend after all the Masses. Please help if you can. **Thank you.**

## Help!! Peanut Butter Needed!

Our PB & J Ministry is in need of creamy peanut butter! Bag lunches are available to those in need, Monday—Friday, thru the parish office. **Approximately 100 sandwiches are given out a week**, along with a cold bottle of water, a bag of chips, and something sweet. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office or placed in the "Food Barrel" in the lobby. **Thank you for your contributions!**



## St. Francis Chronicle



Francis: Bluey, I've heard people mentioning something about a 'fortnight for freedom', what's that about?

Blue Jay: It's an appeal from the US bishops for prayer and study during the fortnight of 21<sup>st</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> July, Independence Day.

Francis: Prayer and study for what, my friend?

Blue Jay: It's so that the Health and Human Services department might reverse their mandate requiring Catholic schools and hospitals and other services to provide contraceptives and sterilization surgery in the insurance coverage to their employees.

Francis: Dear God, that's surely against the freedom of religion, it's unconstitutional!

Blue Jay: Just so, dear saint, we Catholics have the right to live our religion without government intervention...

Francis: ...even if many of our people don't bother too much about sexual ethics.

Blue Jay: But many do, and that's the argument, and why should these folk have to pay for those who don't bother..

Francis: Sounds reasonable. It might well be an issue come the November elections seeing that the majority of Catholics voted democrat in 2008.

Blue Jay: It will certainly give us a good idea about the strength of Catholic faith in the USA.

Francis: Glad I'm not a betting man, Bluey.

### Parish Ministries

#### Altar Servers

Maria LePochat .....651-9813

#### Church Musicians

Ramon Martos

Adam DeMary

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Susan Soleau .....689-6914

#### Faith Formation

Judy Erlandsson.....661-3091

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Pam Caskey .....651-1165

#### Helping Hands

Judy Harris .....653-0055

#### Hispanic Ministry

Sonia Barroso .....651-4038

#### Hispanic Religious Education

Cristina Garcia.....662-6195

#### Hispanic Baptism Classes

Maria Elena Parilla.....657-0218

#### Home/Hospital Visitation

Monica & David Brandies.....654-1969

#### Knights of Columbus

John Wilbur .....685-8786

#### Lectors

Alice Murray .....315-9613

#### Legion of Mary

Henri Plourde .....689-3374

#### Pastoral Council

John Angelo .....684-2774

#### Rosary Leader

Dawn Silva .....649-8957

#### RCIA

Deacon Dick Beaudry .....689-0769

#### Sacristans

Maria Ocampo.....653-3011

#### Scouts

Kathy & Ted Domey .....685-8242

#### Tender Care/Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

John Familetti.....681-9115

#### Ushers

Ron Mullen.....661-5983

#### Women's Guild

Theresa Redgrave.....409-3255

#### Youth Group

Steve Jarosz .....655-4968

### Stewardship of Time & Talent Salute

In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to our parish, we acknowledge and salute, **Sam Kroll, Adult Altar Server...** *Thank you, Sam!!*

### Stewardship Reflection

*"...but after me one is coming, the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie." ~Acts 13:25*

**Stewardship is recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God.** We can take credit for nothing. Do you take time daily to thank God for the gifts you have received? Do you show gratitude to God every day? Are you generous without expecting anything in return?

### Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

**Sunday, June 10, 2012**

***"Charity is above all a hymn of love."***

Offertory Collection .....	\$6,904.28
Children's' & Youth Envelope/Contents .....	2/\$2.00
On Line Giving/Offertory .....	\$1,426.00
<b>Total Offertory for this week .....</b>	<b>\$8,332.28</b>
Total Offertory, week of 2011 .....	\$8,912.00
<b>Decrease.....</b>	<b>\$579.72</b>
Building Fund.....	\$934.00
On Line Giving/Building Fund .....	\$155.00
<b>Total Building Fund for this week .....</b>	<b>\$1,089.00</b>
Envelopes Issued/Used.....	829/246(30%)
Budgeted Expense This Month .....	\$40,000.00
<b>Total Receipts Month to Date.....</b>	<b>\$20,488.59</b>
<b>Total APA 2012 for this week.....</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>

***~ Give Generously From Your Heart ~***

#### MASS ATTENDANCE

4:30 p.m. 176      6:30 p.m. 218

9:00 a.m. 234      11:00 a.m. 266

4:30 p.m. 141

**Total Attendance: 1,035**

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK IS:**

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**671-3993**

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make our bulletin possible.

**Thank You!**

***~ For the Week of June 10, 2012 ~***

#### **POOR BOX DONATIONS**

**\$367.06**

#### **DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS**

**\$171.72**

Thanks to all who so generously support our  
Poor Box & Dinner Ministry Collections. Because  
of your support, we are able to help those in need.  
***Thank you and God bless!!***



# Vacation Bible School

**New Friends!**  
**Amazing Crafts!**  
**Wild Games!**  
**Lip-smacking Snacks!**  
**Wild Bible Adventures!**  
**Incredible Music!**

**Where: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church**

**Sky Adventures will last from July 9th to July 13th**

**Sky Adventures fun begins at 9:00 a.m. & ends at 12:00 noon**

**For kids K4 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Cost: \$10 per child**

**For more information call Judy Erlendsson at 244-2853 or 661-3091.**

***Adult & Teen-age Volunteers Needed!!!***

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Allergies:** \_\_\_\_\_ **T-Shirt Size** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to volunteer**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Adult** \_\_\_\_\_ **T-Shirt Size** \_\_\_\_\_ **Teen-ager** \_\_\_\_\_ **T-Shirt Size** \_\_\_\_\_

***Registration Deadline: June 29<sup>th</sup>***  
***(T-Shirts will be ordered July 2<sup>nd</sup>)***